DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

MR. E. K. MADHAVAN: May I know whether the Chief Engineer has inspected all the roads in the Kottayam Division?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Not all the roads. I have inspected some of those roads.

MR. E. K. MADHAVAN: May I know whether all those roads are in good condition?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: According to the value of money spent they are not too bad.

M. C. Road between Adoor and Vadakkedathu Kavu.

194. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that a portion of the M. C. Road between Adoor and Vadakkedathu Kavu—distance of 1 mile—is closed for traffic;

(*b*) if so, the purpose for, and the period during which it was so closed; and

(*c*) the amount estimated for the improvement of this part of the road?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) To enable the main road in question to be regrated and widened. It was closed from about the end of April to 1st July 1946.

(*c*) Rs. 8,000.

Bridge at Ennakkattu mula.

195. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the bridge at Ennakkattu mula on the Puliyoor-Ennakkad road was constructed:

(*b*) the year or years in which there have been Budget provisions for the construction of this bridge; and

(*c*) the sanctioned amount for the construction of this bridge?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) No. It is under construction.

(*b*) From 1117 M. E. to 1121.

(*c*) Rs. 2,575.

Irrigation for Trivandrum taluk.

196. *MR T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any comprehensive scheme has been prepared to solve the problem of irrigation for Trivandrum taluk; and

(*b*) if not, why not?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) The matter is under consideration.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (a).

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MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member when the scheme will be completed?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: The matter is under consideration and I expect the scheme to be completed within the course of six months.

Public Works in Tiruvalla Taluk.

197 *MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money budgetted for public works in Tiruvalla taluk in 1121; and

(b) the amount actually spent under this head this year in the above taluk?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: *(a)* Rs. 3,69,150.

(b) Rs. 38,880 up to the end of Edavom 1121.

MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI: May I know how the amount was expended under this project?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Large part of this money represents the project at Mallapalli. The investigation is in progress and it is likely to cost a large amount.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know when the investigation with regard to the Mallappally bridge was started?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: About 10 months back.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know whether the investigation is complete?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Yes. I have received even the designs.

Selection of Labour Welfare Officers.

198 *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the names of persons who constituted the Board for the selection of Labour Welfare Officers last time;

(b) the names of persons who were selected by the Board for the post and their qualifications, their previous appointments, if any, and the salary they had before;

(c) the salary of the Labour Welfare Officers; and

(d) the number of applications for the post from Nairs and the number among them who were Graduates and M A's?

MR. T. CHANDY *(Public Service Commissioner)*: *(a)* (i) The Public Service Commissioner.

(ii) The Inspector General of Police and

(iii) The Director of Industries.

(b) A *statement containing the information required is laid on the table.

(c) Rs. 80-5-100.

(d) Number of applications—10

Graduates 8 of whom 1 was an Honours Graduate.

*Vide Appendix III

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